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The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed August 28, 2006, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on November 28, 2006. This response is filed with a petition for a one month extension of time and the required fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 24 of this paper.